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INFO AMEMBASSY BELGRADE  
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SUBJECT: FURTHER PRESS COMMENT ON YUGOSLAVIA

REF: THESSALONIKI 0189

1. BOTH MORNING PAPERS OF MARCH 28 FRONT-PAGED REPORTS FROM ATHENS ON BELGRADE'S REACTION TO MARCH 22 REMARKS BY ALTERNATE FONMIN CAVALIERATOS. TWO PAPERS HAD ALSO RECEIVED TANJUG PRESS RELEASE ON SUBJECT FROM LOCAL YUGOSLAV CONGEN. LATTER MATERIAL, REPRINTED IN "MAKEDONIA", INCLUDED DENIAL THAT TALKS WERE IN PROGRESS FOR GREEK-YUGOSLAV CULTURAL AGREEMENT OR THAT DRAFT TEXT PREPARED IN "MACEDONIAN LANGUAGE". STATEMENT NOTED, HOWEVER, THAT AGREEMENTS NORMALLY TRANSLATED INTO VARIOUS YUGOSLAV LANGUAGES. RELEASE NOT PUBLISHED IN CONSERVATIVE "ELLINIKOS VORRAS" WHICH LABELLED ISSUE AS "NON-EXISTENT" AND DESCRIBED TANJUG MATERIAL AS "NAIVE AND AUDACIOUS". "VORRAS" INSTEAD REQUESTED TANJUG REACTION TO "LONG-STANDING PROPOSAL" BY PAPER FOR PLEBISCITE AMONG "UNREDEEMED GREEK POPULATIONS" OF SOUTHERN YUGOSLAVIA.

2. IN RELATED EDITORIAL COMMENT, "VORRAS" CHIEF EDITOR ELIAS KYROU CLAIMED THAT, ON BASIS OF NAMES, YUGOSLAV MINISTER OF TRANSPORT POPOV WHO IS VISITING ATHENS AND EMBASSY CULTURAL  
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ATTACHE ZLADEVSKI NOT SERBIAN, CROATIA, OR SLOVENIAN BUT  
BULGARIAN. KYROU CONCLUDES PREDICATBLY THATYUGOSLAV  
MECEDONIA FORMERLY POPULATED ONLY BY GREEKS AND BULGARIANS.  
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